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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: Plug Connector

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[NOTE: One only of items **a**, **b**, **c**, and **d** must be checked.]

- [ ]     **a.** The enclosed statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of a national application, or within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR §1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever event occurs last.

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- ☐ b. The enclosed statement is being filed after a first Office Action on the merits but before the mailing date of a final Office Action under 37 CFR §1.113, or a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311.

The enclosed statement is accompanied by [check one]:

- ☐ i. a certification in part (e) below as specified in 37 CFR §1.97(e);

or

- ☐ ii. a check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed as required by 37 CFR §1.17(p). Please charge any additional requisite fees relating to this submission to Deposit Account No. 501581.

- ☒ c. The enclosed statement is being filed after the mailing date of a final action under 37 CFR §1.113, or a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311, but before payment of the issue fee.

**PETITION:** It is requested that the information being submitted be considered.

[Note: If box (c) is checked, both of the following boxes must be checked.]

- ☒ **PETITION FEE:** Permission is hereby given to the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 501581 in the amount of \$180.00 as required by 37 CFR §1.17(p).

- ☒ **CERTIFICATION** is attended to in box (e) below.

- ☐ d. The enclosed statement is being filed pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(i), for placement in the file.

- ☒ e. **Certification**[Check one] [Certification is required only if box (b)(i) or box (c) has been checked.]

- ☒ I hereby certify that each item of information contained in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement;

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or

- [     ] Other appropriate certification is attached.
- [X] f. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due in connection with this communication to Deposit Account No. 501581.

Respectfully submitted,



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Examiner Initials		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Sub-Class	Filing Date
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